



USAFE Airman Information File

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GOALS TO FOCUS AND IMPROVE

What makes USAFE successful is our ability to work hard together towards a common purpose -- our mission. As we begin another challenging and rewarding year, it is time to review the three goals that keep us focused on our mission: ***Ready to fight and postured to respond anywhere while providing superior services to the world-class men and women serving in USAFE.*** This is also an opportune time to consider establishing and reviewing goals for the many other aspects of our lives.

Our first goal in support of the mission is to be ***ready to accomplish all USAFE tasks.*** We've defined readiness as full execution of the current flying hour program and having the appropriate tactics, techniques, and procedures developed for all of our expeditionary forces. All base functions, either directly or indirectly, support our operational missions and can be captured in our ability to fly and fix airplanes. We train like we fight and ensure our airmen are armed with the proper mix of strategy and tools to succeed while deployed anytime, anywhere.

Secondly, we concentrate on being ***postured to support the global war on terrorism and other possible national missions.*** EUCOM's area of responsibility extends from the northern tip of Greenland to the southern tip of South Africa covering 95 countries, 20 million square miles, and 1/4 of the world's population. Our theater engagement activities help us identify potential operating locations and determine what infrastructure improvements are required for future deployments in support of EUCOM strategy.

Our third aim is to ***improve services to our internal and external customers.*** This goal requires our willingness to treat each other with dignity and respect, and dedication to overcome every challenge. Our service professionals are fully engaged in Customer College, a program that is delivering training, resources, tools, and skills to help foster a culture of excellent customer service and personal and organizational pride. Service will be our hallmark!

These goals and our mission often consume much of our focus but there are other important facets of our lives. Therefore, it is important to think about aspects essential to developing well-rounded individuals, airmen, spouses, and parents. Consider establishing goals to address growth in religious faith, physical and mental health, family and social relationships, and financial independence. Design specific goals to make you reach beyond your current abilities, but keep them attainable with some degree of flexibility to change with circumstances. Establish goals that span and benefit multiple aspects of your life. Well-rounded airmen and families are better suited to maintain stability and productivity in the toughest environments.

We use goals to focus and improve -- both personally and professionally. Without focus even the most powerful weapons are ineffective, and USAFE's most powerful weapon system is you!

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"Bring Your Courage"